

State of Utah

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# **Inspection Report**

Permit Number:	C0150007		
Inspection Type:	TECHNICAL		
Inspection Date:	Tuesday, April 03, 2007		
Start Date/Time:	4/3/2007 1:30:00 PM		
End Date/Time:	4/3/2007 6:30:00 PM		
Last Inspection:	Thursday, March 22, 2007		

Inspector: Priscilla Burton, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: sun, 65 F

InspectionID Report Number: 1260

Accepted by: whedberg

Permitee: CONSOLIDATION COAL CO

Operator: CONSOLIDATION COAL CO MID-CONTINENT REGION

Site: HIDDEN VALLEY MINE

Address: PO BOX 566, SESSER IL 62884

County: EMERY

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Permit Status: RECLAIMED

### **Current Acreages**

<b>Total Permitted</b>	960.00	
<b>Total Disturbed</b>	6.70	
Phase I	6.70	
Phase II		
Phase III		

#### Mineral Ownership **Types of Operations**

### ☐ Federal ✓ Underground State ☐ Surface ☐ County Loadout Processing Other Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The Permittee is collecting baseline soil information from the Hidden Valley site for preparation of the Mining and Reclamation Plan for the proposed activation of the reclaimed A and B seam portals. Robert Long, Soil Consultanting, was evaluating the soils along the access road and proposed location for the storage/loadout facility on the plateau above the existing reclaimed site.

Inspector's Signature:

Date

Friday, April 06, 2007

Priscilla Burton, Environmental Scientist III

Inspector ID Number: 37

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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# REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  - a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
    b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.

- Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
   Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
   Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale				
2.	Signs and Markers				
3.	Topsoil	<b>V</b>		<b>✓</b>	
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions				
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments				
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures				
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring				
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations				
5.	Explosives				
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches				
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments				
8.	Noncoal Waste				
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues				
10.	Slides and Other Damage				
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation				
12.	Backfilling And Grading				
13.	Revegetation				
14.	Subsidence Control				
15.	Cessation of Operations				
16.	a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing				
16.t	Roads: Drainage Controls				
17.	Other Transportation Facilities				
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations				
19.	AVS Check				
20.	Air Quality Permit				
21.	Bonding and Insurance				
22.	Other				

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### 3. Topsoil

Prior to my arrival, a pit on the A seam slope had been evaluated. No coal mine waste was encountered at the location of the pit. Several trenches along the access road were evaluated for their potential to provide substitute topsoil. I observed and photographed the last two pits on the access road, and an undisturbed soil pit in the bend in the access road, and one pit in undisturbed soil on the plateau above the mine site. I walked to the area that is proposed for the surge pile. Mr. Long was going to return the next day to auger the soils in this surge pile area. They appeared to be shallow to sandstone and windswept. They were inaccessible to the backhoe. From my observations, there is approximately 6 - 12 inches of soil that could be salvaged from the access road. I have sent a copy of the "Reclamation Materials Assessment" prepared for Consol by Dr. Lewis Munk as part of the 1997 reclamation amendment to the MRP.





